Use this space to write down any questions that you have about Ivanhoe. Think about who could help you to answer these queries? Can you answer them all by September?
Parents

During this process, your child may have raised several concerns and asked questions about transition to Ivanhoe. Some of these will have been answered but we would like to encourage you to revisit these with your child. Are there still questions that they haven’t had answered?

Can your child work through them and consider a possible solution? If they still can’t answer it, get them to write the question on P12 of the booklet. Ivanhoe will be asking for these questions so that we can answer them as part of our transition process.
Other Transition Tips to support your child at this time:

Parents

Talk to your child about how they would like to say goodbye to key staff – perhaps help them to make cards.

Allow plenty of opportunities for your child to talk about their forthcoming transition to Ivanhoe. Some children will be chatty than others! Try to ensure that if there are any negatives, they can be turned into a positive (e.g. “no one I know is going to be in my class/school” “That’s a great opportunity to meet new people, you will still get to see …………… on the weekend”)

Acknowledge any sadness about leaving but remember to stay positive about the exciting new school they will be going to. Remember to keep talking about secondary school over the summer and to look through any of the transition information completed. Revisit any travel plans if needed.

We are sure that both you and your child will have some feelings of anxiety and trepidation about the forthcoming change. It is completely understandable and natural to have these feelings, so please do not worry! Try to be as calm and hide any of your personal anxieties from your children as they may pick up on these. Encourage your child to verbalise their worries (if any!) as we are sure that they can be easily eased. Positivity is key!